

PRAYER

Rabbi Steven I. Rein, U.S. Air Force, Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia, offered the following prayer:

Sovereign of the universe, the Psalmist proclaims: "How majestic is Your name upon all the Earth," and wonders, "What is humanity that You should be mindful of us?"

We stand in awe before the beauty and majesty of Your work. We are humbled in a world so vast and a humanity so diverse You breathe Your spirit into each individual soul.

Almighty God, bestow Your wisdom and strength upon these Members of the House of Representatives to dream big, securing the future of this great Nation. May you also grant this distinguished body the courage and compassion to dream small as they represent the distinct needs of their constituents, ever mindful of the citizens they serve.

As Irving Berlin did 100 years ago, we pray that God bless America, and, I would add, may God uniquely bless each and every one of us.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from California (Ms. JUDY CHU) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. JUDY CHU of California led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMBATING THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC

(Mr. DUNN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank my colleagues in the House for standing up and recognizing that we must get serious about the opioid epidemic that is plaguing America.

In 2016, more than 42,000 Americans died from opioid overdose, almost 5,000 in Florida alone. We can no longer be satisfied with lip service about this problem.

Over the next 2 weeks, we will be voting to crack down on the flow of dangerous synthetic drugs through our postal system and strengthen support systems for those who are battling addiction.

We will give our law enforcement the tools they need to get these drugs out of our communities and increase medical research on alternatives to opioid pain medication. Police and community leaders in my district have made it clear: They need our help.

It is time to tackle the opioid epidemic head-on, and I believe we are finally committed to doing exactly that.

I urge all my colleagues to support these bipartisan bills.

CONGRATULATING THE 2018 NBA CHAMPION GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS

(Ms. LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with my colleague, our Leader PELOSI, to congratulate the 2018 NBA champions, my home team, the Golden State Warriors.

Now, on Friday, the world watched as the Warriors swept the Cleveland Cavaliers and claimed their third NBA title in 4 years. Led by two-time MVP Steph Curry and two-time NBA Finals MVP Kevin Durant, the Warriors have cemented their dynasty in NBA history.

The team is an example for young people, showing that if you can work together, you can accomplish anything.

These finals against the talented Cleveland Cavaliers were a thrill to watch. We saw basketball at its best, incredible talent, and a real passion from both sides.

Thank you to the Warriors for making our dreams of another championship a reality. This remarkable team has made history as one of the best ever.

I want to extend my thanks to Coach Steve Kerr for his tremendous leadership, as well as the entire Warriors organization.

Today, the bay area is celebrating our remarkable team in my beautiful City of Oakland, as in Oaktown, and I know that my late mother, Mildred Massey, who was a loyal Warriors fan, is smiling down on us.

Go Warriors. Go Oakland. Go Dub Nation.

POSTAL SERVICE HONORS AMERICAN WARRIORS FROM WORLD WAR I WITH A NEW STAMP "TURNED THE TIDE"

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, the United States made the critical difference in the war to end all wars, World War I.

The American doughboys turned the tide to victory in favor of the Allies in 1918, but victory was costly. More Americans gave their lives in the hellish trench warfare than in the wars of Korea and Vietnam combined.

Now, 100 years later, Americans will be reminded of the courage and sacrifice of our doughboys with each letter they write. At the end of this month, the United States Postal Service will release a new stamp commemorating the 100th anniversary of American victory in World War I.

The stamp depicts a soldier of the American Expeditionary Force, one of 4 million young men who answered our Nation's call to "go over there." As George Cohan wrote: "They didn't come back till it was over, over there."

Mr. Speaker, this stamp serves to honor the millions of doughboys who fought during the Great War, because the worst casualty of war is to be forgotten.

And that is just the way it is.

CELEBRATING A NEW AMERICAN DYNASTY, THE GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS

(Ms. PELOSI asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I am very delighted to join my colleague from the bay area, Congresswoman BARBARA LEE, in wearing the blue and the gold to celebrate the new American dynasty, the Golden State Warriors.

On Friday, as you probably know, the Warriors swept the great team, the Cleveland Cavaliers, led by LeBron James—what a magnificent athlete—making the victory all the more sweet to secure the 2018 NBA championship, the Warriors' third title in 4 years.

This historic achievement secures Golden State's position as not only the best team in the sport, but as an extraordinary force in ushering in a new era of professional basketball and transforming the future of the sport.

The Golden State Warriors are distinguished by both their talent and their extraordinary teamwork. The 2018 Warriors played with exceptional chemistry and intuitive brilliance on the court, dazzling America with their true strength in numbers.

Steph Curry, Draymond Green, Klay Thompson, MVP twice in a row Kevin Durant, played with extraordinary skill, strength, and determination, each making history in their own way.